

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 5 on page two of the present application with the following:

This application is related to U.S. Patent- No. 09/614,820~~6,584,544~~, filed ~~July 12, 2000~~, entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PREPARING A DISK FOR USE IN A DISK ARRAY, ~~and bearing attorney docket number 1956/131~~, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein, in its entirety, by reference; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/614,646, filed July 12, 2000, entitled VIRTUAL DEVICE DRIVER and bearing attorney docket number 1956/133, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein, in its entirety, by reference; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/676,222~~6,507,890~~, ~~filed on even date herewith~~, entitled SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR EXPANDING A LOG STRUCTURE IN A DISK ARRAY, ~~and bearing attorney docket number 1956/132~~, naming ~~Steve Morley, Robert C. Solomon, David DesRoches, and John Percy~~ as inventors, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein, in its entirety, by reference; and U.S. Patent Application No. 6,611,852~~09/675,420~~, ~~filed on even date herewith~~, entitled SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CLEANING A LOG STRUCTURE ~~and bearing attorney docket number 1956/134~~, naming ~~Steve Morley, Robert C. Solomon, David DesRoches, and John Percy~~ as inventors, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein, in its entirety, by reference.